

Virginia Department of Emergency Management

Virginia Emergency Operations Center
10501 Trade Court, Richmond, VA 23236

Spot Report #1 Election Day 2008 4 November 2008/1200 hours

Summary: Polling locations opened at 0600 hours across the Commonwealth of Virginia. National and local media outlets reporting problems in the Commonwealth related to long lines at polling places and voting machines malfunctioning. State Board of Elections Media Room and Public Hotline phones are down.

Local Emergency Operations Centers Open: 8 jurisdictions notified VEOC that their EOC's are open:

City of Richmond: Opened 0500 hrs to support Unified Command at Richmond PD EOC; ESF 3, 4, 5, 8 and 13 staffed; Public School Emergency Planner at Unified Command has direct communications with all schools (polling stations) security personnel

Prince William County: Opened 0500 hrs to support election activities; ESF 1, 4, 5, 13 and 15 staffed

Fairfax County: Opened 0600 hrs for election activities

City of VA Beach: Opened 0530 hrs with minimal staffing

Westmoreland County: Opened 0600 hrs to support election activities

Loudoun County: Opened 0600 hrs to support Election Day activities

Arlington County: Opened 0530 hrs with light staffing for general election

Franklin County: Opened 0515 hrs to support Election Day Activities; ESF 5 staffed; staff in field checking all 23 polling locations to make sure all is well; no problems at present

VDEM/VEOC

Routine Operations with normal staffing
Monitoring WebEOC, Media reports
Coordinating with Virginia State Fusion Center

Resource Requests:

Coordinating transportation of telephone equipment for State Board of Elections with VA State Police and vendor; in process

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